

CLAIM LISTING:

1. (previously amended) In combination, a columnar jack concealing structure for a columnar support of a structure comprising:
 - an adjustable, flexible strap;
 - an adjustable columnar jack;
 - a stiff skirt circumferentially adjustable relative to the columnar support for concealing the adjustable columnar jack;
 - a mechanically adjustable clamp; and
 - the columnar support, the adjustable columnar jack for supporting and securing the columnar support, the adjustable, flexible strap for surrounding and engaging a portion of the columnar support adjacent the adjustable columnar jack, the mechanically adjustable clamp for attaching the adjustable, stiff skirt to the adjustable, flexible strap and to the columnar support, the adjustable, stiff skirt for concealing the adjustable columnar jack, the adjustable, flexible strap for folding over and for protectively covering the mechanically adjustable clamp.
2. (previously amended) The combination of claim 1, wherein the columnar support has a top end and a bottom end opposite the top end, the adjustable columnar jack for placement at either the top end or the bottom end and concealed thereat by the adjustable, stiff skirt.
3. (original) The combination of claim 1, wherein the adjustable, flexible strap is an annular band member having ends for disposing in lapped relation, the adjustable,

flexible strap for placement about varying sizes, dimensions, and shapes of columnar supports having a cross-section selected from the group consisting of circular, square, and irregular cross-sections, the adjustable, flexible strap for concealing the mechanically adjustable clamp and for providing moisture protection to the columnar support.

4. (original) The combination of claim 3, wherein the adjustable, flexible strap is constructed of a moisture adsorbing material.
5. (previously amended) The combination of claim 1, wherein the adjustable, stiff skirt is constructed and configured for immediate and easy access to the adjustable columnar jack for adjusting and for securing the columnar support for leveling the structure and for maintaining the structure in level position.
6. (previously amended) The combination of claim 1, further comprising the structure, wherein the structure is a log cabin, the columnar support is a wood column attached to and supporting the log cabin, and the columnar jack concealing structure coacts with the wood column of the log cabin for allowing ease of access to the adjustable columnar jack for maintaining a level wood column and log cabin following wood shrinkage.

7 – 31 (canceled)

32 – 39 (withdrawn)

40. (new) A columnar structural support assembly, the columnar structural support assembly comprising, in combination:
- an adjustable strap member;
 - an adjustable clamp;
 - an adjustable columnar jack; and
 - an adjustable sleeve, the adjustable strap member being sized and constructed of a flexible material for folding over upon itself and over the adjustable clamp for providing cover for the adjustable clamp, the adjustable clamp for coupling the adjustable strap member with the adjustable sleeve, the adjustable sleeve being sized and constructed of a stiff material for providing cover for the adjustable columnar jack.
41. (new) The columnar structural support assembly of claim 40 wherein the columnar structural support assembly comprises a columnar structural support, the columnar structural support comprising a select support end, the adjustable columnar jack for positioned placement adjacent the select support end.
42. (new) The columnar structural support assembly of claim 41 wherein the select support end is selected from the group consisting of a top end and a bottom end.
43. (new) The columnar structural support assembly of claim 40 wherein the flexible material of the adjustable strap member and the stiff material of the adjustable sleeve coact with the adjustable clamp to extend upwards, downwards, or at an angle over the adjustable columnar jack.

44. (new) A structural support assembly, the structural support assembly comprising, in combination:
- an adjustable strap member;
 - an adjustable clamp;
 - an adjustable columnar jack;
 - an adjustable sleeve; and
 - a select structural support, the select structural support comprising a select support end, the adjustable columnar jack for positioned placement adjacent the select support end, the adjustable strap member being sized and constructed of a flexible material for folding over upon itself and over the adjustable clamp for providing cover for the adjustable clamp, the adjustable clamp for coupling the adjustable strap member with the adjustable sleeve, the adjustable sleeve being sized and constructed of a stiff material for providing cover for the adjustable columnar jack.
45. (new) The structural support assembly of claim 44 wherein the flexible material of the adjustable strap member and the stiff material of the adjustable sleeve coact with the adjustable clamp to extend upwards, downwards, or at an angle over the adjustable columnar jack, the adjustable strap member being an annular strap member, the annular strap member comprising a soft, foldable cloth material for lapped engagement about the select structural support and itself.

46. (new) The structural support assembly of claim 45 wherein the flexible material and the stiff material present a uniform appearance blending with the select structural support.
47. (new) The structural support assembly of claim 44 wherein the select structural support is selected from the group consisting of a column, a post, a beam, and a joist.
48. (new) The structural support assembly of claim 44 wherein the select support end is selected from the group consisting of a top end and a bottom end.